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# JEFF POSTS \$5000 FORFEIT

Says He Is in as Good Condition as Ever in His Life—Philadelphia Americans Win Two at Washington—Boston Drops Doubleheader.

New York, July 28.—Actual steps looking to a fight between James J. Jeffries and Jack Johnson for the heavyweight championship of the world were taken today, when Jeffries, on his arrival from the west, posted \$5,000 as a forfeit to bind a match with the negro pugilist for a fight of anywhere from twenty to a hundred rounds. The one-time boiler-maker insists that the fight shall be held before the club offering the largest purse and that when articles are signed an additional forfeit of \$5,000 shall be posted. The whole sum of \$10,000 is to go to the winner of the mill.

Jeffries will leave for a short European trip in a few days, where at Carlsbad, in Bohemia, he will do a little preliminary training. He plans to be ready to fight within five months.

On posting his forfeit Jeff issued the following statement:

"After decades of convincing myself it is easily possible for me to defend my title as champion of the world, in as good a condition as ever before in my life, I am today posting my forfeit to meet the claimant of the title, Jack Johnson."

Jackson, Mich., July 28.—"I'll leave Chicago Monday night for New York and cover that forfeit," said Jack Johnson, the colored champion pugilist of the world, this evening, when shown a despatch that effect had been posted by Jeffries a forfeit in New York of \$5,000 to fight Johnson and again place the honor of championship among the white race.

Johnson said he was not surprised to hear that Jeffries had posted the forfeit. "I expected he would do something of the kind," said Johnson, "as a sort of bluff and make good on his statement that he would fight me. I will be ready to fight almost any time, I think, in any condition now to clean up on Jeffries within fifteen rounds."

**MEADOW LARKS LOST BOTH GAMES TO LEADERS.**

Northampton, Mass., July 28.—Northampton lost both games of a double header with Holyoke here today, 8-9 and 5-8. Ragged fielding and weak batting by the home team, coupled with effective pitching and good fielding on the part of Holyoke, enabled the latter to win. The features were a catch by Burke and the batting of Baker and Beaumont.

**The scores:**

**First game:** R. H. E. Holyoke 0 0 1 0 2 0 0 2—8 14 4 Northampton 0 1 0 0 4 0 1 2—5 14 4

**Batteries:** Romer and Beaumont; Plank, Hess and Bridges; time, 1:54; umpire, Cullen.

**Second game:** R. H. E. Holyoke 0 0 1 0 3 0 1 0 3—14 3 2 Northampton 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 3—5 8 2

**Batteries:** McCabe and Abner; Plank, Hess and Bridges; time, 1:55; umpire, Cullen.

**CAPT. SCANLON'S WAITERS TO PLAY BALTIMORE.**

Exciting Game Expected This Afternoon Between Waiters and Baltics.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon the league grounds, Captain Scanlon of the Waiters, who is anxious to win, will try to add another victory to his long list by taking a fat lot of a strong team from Baltimore. Captain Scanlon has a local reputation for being able to pick out stars and he says this game will contain the best that can be gathered from the local field. With Tim Sullivan on first and Kid Heyden at short he will have a pair of hustlers.

The captain himself is expected to boost his batting average in this game, having been presented with a new bat, having played in the Connecticut league last year, having been used by a member of the Holyoke team.

A big crowd is expected and everybody is anxious to see Captain Scanlon at his best.

**National League Standings.**

Team	W.	L.	P.
Pittsburgh	62	17	7.21
Chicago	55	29	6.53
New York	54	30	6.46
Cincinnati	44	40	5.00
Philadelphia	42	42	4.76
St. Louis	35	49	4.23
Brooklyn	32	52	3.85
Boston	25	59	3.37

**Giants Take Two from Boston.**

Boston, July 28.—New York made it three out of four today, 4-1. The

**McCarthy Won in Eleventh.**

Springfield, Mass., July 28.—McCarthy drove in a winning run for Hartford today, beating Springfield 4 to 3 in eleven innings. Both he and Connor pitched great ball.

**The scores:** R. H. E. Springfield 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 3 6 4 Hartford 1 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 1 4

**Batteries:** Coffin and Connor; McCarthy and Wadleigh; time, 2:35; umpire, O'Brien.

**Gibbs Hit Hard by New Haven.**

Bridgeport, July 28.—Clean hitting off Gibbs gave New Haven a big lead early in the game today and the victory, 8 to 4. The score: R. H. E. New Haven 2 1 1 3 0 0 1 0 8 12 Bridgeport 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 7 2

**Corcoran and Waters; Gibbs, Pollard and Kuecher. Time, 1:50. Umpire, Sternberg.**

**New Britain Takes Two from Waterbury.**

New Britain, Conn., July 28.—New Britain won a double header with Waterbury here today, 4-1 and 4-1. The

## FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

**MINGLED GAINS AND LOSSES.**

United States Steel Dividend and Union Pacific's Rise the Features.

New York, July 28.—Incidents considered by speculators of most importance were the increase in the dividend on United States Steel stock and the rise in Union Pacific today to above the long predicted price of 200. In the part of the dividend on United States Steel, the compromise rate of 3-4 of 1 per cent. for the quarter was considered an adroit settlement of a perplexing problem as between the corporation and the retention of the 4 per cent. annual rate and the retention of the 3 per cent. rate. The 4 per cent. put out in the quarterly report of earnings, while the retention of the 2 per cent. rate might have weakened the effect of the professed confidence in the future growth of earnings. Satisfaction with the quarterly report of earnings of the United States Steel corporation was not unmixed, and the exhibit was held to justify a dividend policy on the part of the directors at least as cautious as that adopted. The \$23,341,000 of earnings for the quarter, while rising handsomely over those for the preceding quarter and still more markedly over the corresponding quarter of last year, are seen to be, with exception of last year, the year of depression in 1904, and the year 1901, when the corporation was formed, the smallest earnings of the 4,057,939 tons of unfilled orders on hand also, it is seen that for any intervening quarter since that ending December 31, 1907, yet there is found an unbroken series of excesses over this figure for every quarter before that since the one ending September 30, 1904. That date carries the comparison back to the period of depression from which the industry had not yet emerged after the reaction of 1903. This more detailed analysis of the report was of somewhat sobering effect on speculative sentiment. Points of strength in the stock market helped to sustain prices, for which particular causes were assigned. The rise in New York Central was occasioned by renewed rumors of Harriman investment in that stock. The soft coals were helped by hopes of a revival of demand by awakening industrial activity. An important short interest was believed to be covering in Reading. Amalgamated Copper suffered from the renewed fall in the price of the metal. Final prices as a rule were little changed from last night and showed mingled gains and losses. Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, \$3,512,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

**STOCKS.**

Stock	High	Low	Close
400 Am. Chalmers	47 1/4	47 1/4	47 1/4
200 Am. Copper	47 1/4	47 1/4	47 1/4
100 Am. Steel	47 1/4	47 1/4	47 1/4
100 Am. C. & P.	47 1/4	47 1/4	47 1/4
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**NEW YORK, July 28.—Money on call 1 1/4 per cent. 10 days 1 1/2 per cent. 15 days 1 3/4 per cent. 1 month 1 1/2 per cent. 3 months 1 1/2 per cent. 6 months 1 1/2 per cent. 1 year 1 1/2 per cent.**

**COTTON.**

New York, July 28.—Cotton futures closed barely steady. 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